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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA
SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 30 October 2000

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Western Sahara (S/2000/1029 and S/2000/1040)*

Other matters

11 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Wrap-up discussion on the work of the Security Council for the month of October 2000

Other matters

3.30 p.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Sierra Leone (S/2000/992)

Other matters

* With a view to a formal meeting.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

10 a.m.	44th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

1. Oceans and the law of the sea [34]

   (a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/55/61, A/55/386)

   (b) Report on the work of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea at its first meeting (A/55/274)

(c) Draft resolutions (A/55/L.10 and Corr.1, A/55/L.11)

2. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization [177]

   (a) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Executive Secretary of the Preparatory Commission (A/55/433)

   (b) Draft decision (A/55/L.5)

3. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference [24]

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/55/368)

   (b) Draft resolution (A/55/L.17)

4. Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States [25]

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/55/401)

   (b) Draft resolution (A/55/L.18)

5. Towards global partnerships [173]

6. Peace, security and reunification on the Korean peninsula: draft resolution (A/55/L.14) [183]

Open-ended Informal consultations of the Plenary on Agenda Item 182
(Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit)

3 p.m. Conference Room 1

Open-ended Informal Consultations of the Plenary on Agenda Item 182 (Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit) [A Non-Paper by the President of the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly on the Implementation of the Millennium Declaration has been circulated to all Member States. (Additional copies of the Non-Paper will be available in room S-2925 and in the conference room).]

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

3 p.m.-6 p.m. 25th meeting Conference Room 2

Action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 65 to 81 *(continued)*

[Documents of the First Committee (A/C.1/55/INF.1)]

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

10 a.m.-1 p.m. 16th meeting Conference Room 2

1. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East [84] (A/55/13, A/55/329, A/55/391, A/55/402, A/55/425, A/55/428, A/55/456)

   General debate

2. Effects of atomic radiation [82] (A/C.4/55/L.6/Rev.1)

3. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [83] (A/C.4/55/L.8*, A/C.4/55/L.9)

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	40th meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [114 (b)] (A/55/177, A/55/213 and Add.1, A/55/214 and Add.1, A/55/275 and Add.1, A/55/279, A/55/280 and Add.1 and 2, A/55/283, A/55/288, A/55/289, A/55/291, A/55/292, A/55/296 and Add.1, A/55/302, A/55/306, A/55/328, A/55/342, A/55/360, A/55/395-S/2000/880, A/55/404-S/2000/889, A/55/408 and A/C.3/55/2)

2. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and special representatives [114 (c)] (A/55/269, A/55/282* and Corr.1, A/55/294, A/55/318, A/55/335, A/55/346, A/55/358, A/55/359, A/55/363, A/55/374, A/55/400, A/55/403, A/55/509 and A/55/426-S/2000/913)

3. Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action [114 (d)] (A/55/36 and A/55/438-S/2000/93)

4. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights [114 (e)] (A/55/36)

Continuation of general discussion

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	41st meeting	General Assembly Hall

1. Rights of peoples to self-determination [113]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.32

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [114 (b)] (A/55/177, A/55/213 and Add.1, A/55/214 and Add.1, A/55/275 and Add.1, A/55/279, A/55/280 and Add.1 and 2, A/55/283, A/55/288, A/55/289, A/55/291, A/55/292, A/55/296 and Add.1, A/55/302, A/55/306, A/55/328, A/55/342, A/55/360, A/55/395-S/2000/880, A/55/404-S/2000/889, A/55/408 and A/C.3/55/2)

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Continuation of general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 3

Informal consultations on agenda item 122 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/55/11))

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	19th meeting	Conference Room 4

Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-second session [159] (A/55/10)

4 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 159 (Report of the International Law Commission on the work of its fifty-second session)

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PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE HIGH-LEVEL INTERNATIONAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL EVENT ON FINANCING FOR DEVELOPMENT

Resumed first session

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	11th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda [1]

Elections

2. Preparation for the substantive preparatory process and the high-level international event [2]

Accreditation of non-governmental organizations in the substantive preparatory process and the high-level international intergovernmental event on financing for development (A/AC.257/10)

Participation of the representatives of civil society and business sector in hearings

3. Suspension of the resumed first session

[Following the adjournment of the meeting, the Executive Coordinator of the Financing for Development Coordinating Secretariat will give an informal briefing for interested delegations on the progress of preparation of the Secretary-General's report to the Preparatory Committee.]

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (UNMIK)

2. Draft report

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

WORKING GROUP

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed session

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	47th meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

1. Opening statement by the President of the Economic and Social Council

2. Statement by the President of the General Assembly

3. Statement by the Deputy Secretary-General

4. Presentations by the Rome-based agencies

5. Interactive dialogue

6. Summary of the President

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

ORGANIZATIONAL COMMITTEE

Second regular session of 2000

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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The United Nations Administrative Tribunal will meet on Monday, 30 October 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in room DC2-470A.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Monday, 30 October 2000

ARAB GROUP OF THE FIRST COMMITTEE

11 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

AFRICAN GROUP: GROUP OF EXPERTS ON ECONOMIC MATTERS

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(agenda items 93 (a) and (b) : sectoral policy questions)

6 p.m. - 10 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on environmental issue)

6 p.m. - 10 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

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There will be a meeting of the United Nations Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament on Monday, 30 October 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room B.

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There will be a closed meeting of the MASON Group (First Committee) on Monday, 30 October 2000, from 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations under agenda item 37 (Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the special session of the General Assembly in this regard) will take place on Monday, 30 October 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

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Announcement

As from Tuesday, 3 October 2000, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212)-963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 31 October 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

10 a.m.	45th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	46th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the special session of the General Assembly in this regard: report of the Secretary-General (A/55/344) [37]

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	26th meeting	Conference Room 2

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.	17th meeting	Conference Room 2

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	30th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	31st meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	20th meeting	Conference Room 4
3 p.m.	21st meeting	Conference Room 4

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 173 (Towards global partnerships)

Informal consultations for interested Member States and possible co-sponsors on a draft resolution under agenda item 173 (Towards global partnerships) will be held on Tuesday, 31 October 2000, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Committees

THIRD COMMITTEE

The Third Committee will hear introductory statements by the Special Rapporteurs and Special Representatives presenting reports to the Committee under agenda item 114 (Human rights questions), as follows:

On Wednesday, 1 November, at 10 a.m.: Mr. Maurice Copithorne (Special Representative on the situation of human rights in the Islamic Republic of Iran); and Mr. Michel Moussalli (Special Representative on the situation of human rights in Rwanda).

Following the introduction of each of these reports, the floor will be open to members of the Committee for questions and comments. All interested members of the Committee are invited to participate.

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The 1st meeting of the Credentials Committee will be held on Wednesday, 1 November 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-fifth session of the General Assembly (the Millennium Assembly of the United Nations), in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent to the Secretary of the Credentials Committee prior to the 1st meeting, in room S-3420A.

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The Working Group of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will meet as follows: Tuesday, 31 October 2000, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber; and Thursday and Friday, 2 and 3 November, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

The Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations will meet on Monday and Tuesday, 6 and 7 November 2000, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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The 2000 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and the 2000 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme will be held in two segments.

The joint opening of both Pledging Conferences will take place on Wednesday, 1 November 2000, at 10 a.m., to be followed by the segment devoted to the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities. The second meeting devoted to this segment will take place on Thursday, 2 November, at 10 a.m.

The segment devoted to the 2000 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme will be convened on Wednesday, 1 November, at 3 p.m.

It would be appreciated if delegations which have not already done so, could submit the names of their representatives to both pledging conferences to the Secretary of the Pledging Conferences, Mr. Alexandre De Barros (room S-2950G; tel.: (212) 963-2320 or 5973).

The list of speakers for both Pledging Conferences will be open until Tuesday, 31 October. Delegations wishing to be inscribed for one or both pledging conferences are requested to contact the Secretariat (Mr. A. De Barros or Ms. L. Bawar (tel.: (212) 963-2320 or 3-5973; fax: (212) 963-5935; room S-2950G)).

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The 205th meeting of the Committee on Relations with the Host Country will be held on Wednesday, 1 November 2000, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional agenda for the meeting will be as follows: (a) Consideration and adoption of the Committee's report to the General Assembly; and (b) Other matters.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Technical Subgroup of the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics will meet, under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho), on Wednesday, 8 November 2000, at 10 a.m. sharp, in Conference Room 9.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Coordinating Bureau of the Non-Aligned Movement on Tuesday, 31 October 2000, at 10 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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There will be a meeting of the Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)* on Tuesday, 31 October 2000, from 2 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

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There will be a meeting of the JUSCANZ Group (Second Committee) on Wednesday, 1 November 2000, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room C.

There will be a meeting of the JUSCANZ Group (Third Committee) on Wednesday, 1 November 2000, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room A.

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations with interested delegations under agenda item 174 (The role of the United Nations in promoting a new global human order), organized by the delegation of Guyana, will take place on Tuesday, 31 October 2000, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room E.

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Informal dialogue

The Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Human Rights Offenders, Ms. Hina Jilani, invite interested members of permanent missions to an informal dialogue, to be held on Tuesday, 31 October 2000, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is organizing a French-language workshop on the structure, drafting and adoption of United Nations resolutions for members of permanent missions in New York. The workshop will be held on the following dates: Wednesday, 1 November 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; Thursday, 2 November, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.; and Friday, 3 November, from 3 to 6 p.m. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9196).

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Briefing

There will be a briefing on "The Right to Development: A World Bank View", by Mr. Alfredo Sfeir-Younis, World Bank Special Representative, Geneva Office, on Thursday, 2 November 2000, from 1.30 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 6. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. For further information, please contact the office of the World Bank (tel.: (212) 986-8306).

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Information meeting

There will be a preparatory information meeting for the Bamako Seminar on Universalization and Implementation of the Mine Ban Treaty in Africa (Mali, 15-16 February 2001), organized by the delegations of Mali, Canada and France, on Thursday, 2 November 2000, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Briefing

The briefing to Group of 77 Ambassadors and their experts by the Chief Executive and Chairman of the Global Environment Facility (GEF), Mr. Mohamed El-Ashry, will take place on Tuesday, 7 November 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., on the agency's development programme to assist developing countries on the following issues: climate change, biological diversity, desertification and forests: (a) capacity-building; (b) technology transfer; and (c) adaptation.

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Workshop

The United Nations University and the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) are jointly organizing a workshop on "COP6 and the Kyoto Protocol Negotiations" as part of their annual series on *Sustainable Development in Practice*. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Tuesday, 7 November 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 p.m. to 6 p.m.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Friday, 27 October 2000

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fifth session

43rd plenary meeting

Oceans and the law of the sea [34]

(a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/55/61, A/55/386)

(b) Report on the work of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea at its first meeting (A/55/274)

(c) Draft resolutions (A/55/L.10 and Corr.1 and A/55/L.11)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 34.

Statements were made by the representatives of Brazil, Jamaica, Australia, Ukraine, Uruguay, Malta, Egypt, Solomon Islands, Belize, Argentina, Samoa, Fiji, Trinidad and Tobago, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Guyana, Indonesia, the Federated States of Micronesia, the Russian Federation, Papua New Guinea and Yemen.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 24th meeting

The Committee continued its third stage of work (action on all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items 65 to 81).

Introduction of revised draft resolutions

The representative of Egypt on behalf of State Members of the United Nations that are members of the League of Arab States introduced draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.29/Rev.1.

The representative of Belarus introduced draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.46/Rev.1.

Action on draft resolutions

Draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.10 was adopted without a vote. The Secretary of the First Committee presented the oral statement by the Secretariat in connection with the resolution A/C.1/55/L.10.

Draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.6 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.21 was adopted by 149 votes to 0, with 4 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.22 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.31 was adopted by 91 votes to 44, with 17 abstentions.

Draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.15 was adopted without a vote.

Draft resolution A/C.1/55/L.27 was adopted without a vote.

SECOND COMMITTEE 28th meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions [92]

(a) Trade and development

(b) Commodities

(c) External debt crisis and development

The Committee resumed its consideration of the agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ukraine (on behalf of the GUUAM Group), Peru, the United States, Kenya, Saint Lucia, Pakistan, Georgia (on behalf of GUUAM Group), Thailand, Egypt and The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.

The representative of the World Bank made a statement.

A statement was made by the representative of Japan.

Statements were also made by Pakistan, Swaziland, Kenya, China, Brazil, Cameroon, Nigeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Sweden (on behalf of the European Union) and Costa Rica.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 92 (a), (b) and (c).

Co-sponsors

The Committee was informed that Norway had become a co-sponsor of draft resolutions A/C.2/55/L.9 and L.11.

29th meeting

Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries [102]

The Committee began its consideration of the item and heard an introductory statement by the Chief of the New York Liaison Office of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development.

The Vice-Chairman of the Preparatory Committee for the Third United Nations Conference on the Least Developed Countries, Mr. Yuji Kumamaru (Japan) made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of France (on behalf of the European Union), Nigeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and Norway.

Environment and sustainable development: Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 [95 (a)]

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.2/55/L.17

The representative of Nigeria introduced the draft resolution on behalf of the Group of 77 and China.

Deadline for the submission of draft proposals

The Committee was reminded that the deadline for the submission of draft proposals under agenda item 92 (a) to (c) was Monday, 30 October, at 6 p.m.

THIRD COMMITTEE 38th meeting

Human rights questions [114]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and special representatives

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its consideration of the sub-items.

The Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Croatia and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, Mr. Jiri Dienstbier, made a presentation.

The Committee then engaged in a dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Croatia and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, in which the representatives of Bulgaria, Croatia, the Russian Federation and the United States took part.

The Committee then continued its general discussion of sub-items 114 (b), (c), (d) and (e) and heard statements by the representatives of New Zealand, Venezuela, the Sudan, Portugal, Singapore and Angola as well as the observer for the Holy See.

39th meeting

Human rights questions: implementation of human rights instruments [114 (a)]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/55/L.30

The representative of Denmark, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document as well as Australia, El Salvador, Georgia, Hungary, Uganda and Ukraine, introduced the draft resolution.

Human rights questions [114]

The Committee continued its general discussion of the sub-items 114 (b), (c), (d) and (e) and heard statements by the representatives of Brazil, Mongolia, Japan, Guatemala, Norway, Australia, the Syrian Arab Republic, Chile, Rwanda, Latvia and Mali.

The representative of the United Nations Population Fund made a statement.

Right of reply

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Iraq, the Sudan and China.

Organization of work

The Chairperson announced that there would be no meeting of the Committee on Tuesday, 31 October, and on Thursday morning, 2 November.

The Chairperson also stated that the Committee would aim to take action on Friday morning, 3 November, on the following outstanding draft proposals: under agenda item 107: A/C.3/55/L.11, L.13 and L.16; under agenda item 110: A/C.3/55/L.18; under agenda item 112: A/C.3/55/L.20, L.25, L.26 and L.27; under agenda item 113: A/C.3/55/L.32; under agenda item 114 (a): A/C.3/55/L.29, L.30 and L.31.

Delegations were requested to submit any revisions to existing texts, to the Secretary of the Third Committee, no later than 1 p.m. on Tuesday, 31 October.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 17th and 18th meetings

Note: The summary of the 17th and 18th meetings will be appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2000/211).

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International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Seventieth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

FRIDAY, 27 OCTOBER 2000

1886th and 1887th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 40 of the Covenant [4]

The Committee began and concluded its consideration of the second periodic report of Gabon (CCPR/C/128/Add.1).

Consideration of communications under the Optional Protocol to the Covenant [6]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item in closed session.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

International Coffee Agreement 2001. London, 28 September 2000

OPENING FOR SIGNATURE

The Agreement will be open for signature at United Nations Headquarters on 1 November 2000 and will remain open for signature until 25 September 2001 by Contracting Parties to the International Coffee Agreement 1994 or the International Coffee Agreement 1994 as extended, and Governments invited to the session of the International Coffee Council at which this Agreement was negotiated, in accordance with its article 43.

Delegations intending to sign the Agreement are advised to submit, as necessary, full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, United Nations, New York (fax: (212) 963-3693).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Exhibit

An exhibit of photographs entitled "Ending Rural Poverty: A challenge for the 21st century", sponsored by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) will be on display until Tuesday, 31 October 2000 in the south corner of the Public Lobby of the General Assembly Building.

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Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of October 2000 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Lesotho
H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela

Asian States:
Bangladesh
H.E. Mr. Anwarul Karim Chowdhury

Eastern European States:
Slovakia
H.E. Mr. Peter Tomka

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Belize
H.E. Mr. Stuart Leslie

Western European and other States:
Turkey
H.E. Mr. Umit Pamir

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